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Dear Jim,

From the care with the affidavit to the care with the packaging you were simply great! For both I do thank you very much.

There is always a question of whether a second mind comprehended completely what is in the mind or the words of another. These things you caught, together with my careless error of 13 for 14 in years. The detail you added is fine.

You added some expressions I had included originally and then removed to keep it shorter. Reading them again leads me to believe they should be in.

You also picked up an important point I omitted in haste, the date you took the pictures. You had told me that it was May.

(Separate from this I am curious about something I would like you and Judy to think about: your best recollections of the last time either one of you saw the pictures and the first time either one of you was aware they were gone. If you can place limits on each side I will then see if I can correlate that time period with anything else. There may be no possibility of significance but I want to see if there can be a time correlation. I'll tell you if I can conceive of one.)

There is another part of this that I like very much. You have made this your affidavit, not one I drafted for you. It is normal and proper for affidavits to be drafted. Lawyers always do it for court cases, for example. But the care with which you have gone over what I put on paper of what I got from you does in the fullest sense make it yours. I like that very much, prefer it that way, and this is what would have happened if I'd have been able to stay longer and we had then drafted it together on the borrowed typewriter.

You added human interest in the detail as though a feature writer had done it. You had a precision in detail as though an authentic subject expert like Lary had done it when it clearly is your own detail. And the deception to care in expression would be a credit to a diligent lawyer.

Hang onto the draft I sent you. If there ever in the future is a question raised by any of your friends about whether or not this is yours, they can compare them and see, which seems be sure it is.

It is a big help and I thank you for it very much. Also Judy for her very neat typing job. It shows she was a legal secretary, not someone from the typing pool.

From the time I began writing this it has been as it was the night I got there with the phone with the exception of a fortunately uninterrupted supper. I did -here the phone again - intend more but there are other things I want to get done before bedtime and tomorrow someone will be here.

Best to you all,